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# Town of Amherst

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1896.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1896.

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AMHERST TOWN WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on the Tenth Day of March, next, at Ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2nd. To raise such a sum of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the year ensuing.

3d. To raise such a sum of money as may be necessary for repairing Highways and Bridges.

4th. To raise such a sum of money as may be needed for School purposes.

5th. To raise such a sum of money as may be thought necessary for the maintenance of the Town Poor.

6th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

7th. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Library.

8th. To see if the Town will vote to assume the expense of insuring, and keeping in repair the Public Library Building and grounds.

9th. To see if the Town will vote to change a portion of the Highway in front of H. H. Piper's, known as the Joppa road, to a point a little east of its present location.

10th. To see if the Town will vote to raise the pay of the members of Lawrence Engine Company, No. 2, from three dollars per year, to five dollars per year, each.

11th. To see if the town will vote to widen the Stone Bridge on the street leading from G. W. Bosworth's to 'Thomas Jones', by bracketing on a sidewalk five feet in width on the west side thereof for the safety of travellers and widen the approaches thereto.

12th. To see if the Town will elect a Board of Trustees for the care of the Lawrence School Fund.

13th. To see if the Town will vote to accept in accordance with the Will of the late Charles H. Campbell of Nashua, a bequest of four hundred dollars to be known as the Campbell Cemetery Fund.

14. To see if the Town will vote to sell the Town Farm property, and invest the proceeds of the sale as a fund for the aid of Town Poor or act anything in relation thereto.

15th. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Police Court.

16th. To see if the town will vote to build a Highway from a point in the Highway near H. H. Piper's, easterly across the meadow to the Bedford line, thus avoiding the Greeley Hill so (called.)

17th. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

18th. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February in the year eighteen hundred and ninety-six.

EUGENE C. HUBBARD,
ALBERT M. PHILBRICK,
HERBERT H. BELDEN,

Selectmen of the Town of Amherst.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

CASH RECEIVED.

	Dr.
Balance in hands of Treasurer Feb. 15, 1895,	\$ 183 57
Insurance tax,	10 50
Railroad tax,	474 07
Savings bank tax,	2,030 45
Literary fund,	178 92
Interest on Nutt fund for schools,	179 36
County of Hillsborough,	1,024 00
Collected taxes of 1894,	698 43
" " " 1895,	7,633 98
Notes,	3,500 00
Liquor fines,	130 00
Rent of town house,	93 20
Cemetery lots sold,	12 00
Interest on Nutt fund (E. K. Burt),	8 50
On account of laying out of road,	20 00
Arthur C. Hardy,	21 00
Watson Byrd, profit on town farm,	70 72
Interest on taxes of 1895,	7 94
J. H. Dodge, error on highway account of 1894,	2 44
" " " snow bill of 1894,	2 01
State of New Hampshire, for cattle killed.	22 50
	\$16,303 59

CASH PAID.

CR.

State tax,	\$1,995 00
County tax,	1,942 72
School treasurer (W. W. Sloan),	2,358 28
Water rents,	123 00
Fire department,	288 85
Street lighting,	375 14
Highways and bridges,	1,992 43
Soldiers' aid by county,	648 60
" " town,	72 00
County aid,	308 25
Town aid,	305 45
Town officers,	780 75
Library appropriation,	209 00
Sidewalk appropriation,	100 00
Memorial,	50 00
Principal and interest,	2,778 40
School officers,	179 00
Abatement on taxes, 1894,	1 37
" " 1895,	120 09
Discount on taxes,	95 76
Town farm,	609 65
Miscellaneous,	332 32
Damage on account of laying out road,	20 00
Watson Byrd, superintendent town farm,	300 00
Snow bills,	135 03
Town hall expense,	128 54
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	\$16,240 63

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of money received by Treasurer,	\$16,303 59
Paid out on orders,	16,240 63
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Balance in hands of Treasurer,	\$62 96
Due from county,	\$71 00
" tax collector of 1895,	868 61
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	939 61
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	\$1,002 57
Notes outstanding against town,	\$5,700 00
	1,002 57
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Balance against town,	\$4,697 43

DOG ACCOUNT.

Balance in hands of Treasurer Feb. 15, 1895,	\$152 75
Licenses issued,	160 46
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	\$313 21
Cash paid to Treasurer Board of Education,	185 58
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Balance in hands of Treasurer Feb. 15, 1896,	\$127 63

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. TAYLOR,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES P. HARTSHORN,

J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

Report of E. K. Burt. Trustee of C. H. Nutt fund for Cemetery :

	DR.	
To interest received,		\$12 00
	CR.	
By labor on Nutt lot,		\$2 50
“ “ Munroe lot,		1 00
“ cash paid town of Amherst,		8 50
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		\$12 00

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES P. HARTSHORN,

J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR.

Amount of taxes assessed as per warrant,	\$8,475 87	
Interest money forgotten and handed in later and assessed,	26 72	
	<hr/>	\$8,502 59
Taxes collected,	7,418 13	
Abatement of taxes,	120 09	
Discount on taxes,	95 76	
In hands of Collector,	868 61	
	<hr/>	\$8,502 59
Interest on taxes,	\$7 94	

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. P. BOUTELLE, Collector.

February, 15, 1896.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES P. HARTSHORN,
J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

REPORT

OF

THE SELECTMEN.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

J. H. Dodge, March,	\$ 60
" " " " old bill,	5 48
" " " May,	212 82
" " " June,	339 36
" " " July,	286 86
" " " August,	192 31
" " " "	32 00
" " " September,	193 12
" " " "	8 00
" " " October,	383 66
" " " " stone for bridge,	126 00
" " " November,	190 04
" " " December,	19 75
" " " February,	2 43
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> \$1,992 43

TOWN HALL.

G. H. Hodgman, care of town hall,	92 87
" " " supplies, " "	15 50
C. D. Wilson, " " "	7 64
Clark & Sloan, " " "	7 53
E. A. Sawtelle, tuning piano, and repairs,	5 00
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> \$128 54

STREET LIGHTING AND SUPPLIES.

Orlodo H. Lowd, mostly old bill,	\$53 00	
Oscar Shaffer,	97 00	
Geo. W. Osgood,	94 00	
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Supplies :	\$244 00	
Orlodo H. Lowd, old bill,	\$11 18	
Oscar Shaffer,	71 44	
Geo. W. Osgood,	48 52	
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	\$131 14	\$375 14

SNOW BILLS.

John H. Dodge, old bills,	\$67 52.	
" " " " "	39 73	
" " " " "	4 00	
" " " " "	1 90	
" " " " "	97	
" " " " "	8 00	
" " " " "	50	
D. A. Peabody,	12 41	
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		\$135 03

WATER BILLS.

Miss Abby Melendy,	\$30 00	
Mrs. E. W. Nichols,	27 00	
Frank C. Taylor, old bill,	6 00	
" " "	6 00	
H. H. Belden, old bill,	11 00	
" " "	11 00	
H. S. Boutelle,	3 00	
J. P. Trow,	3 00	
A. M. Philbrick,	3 00	
William Peaslee,	3 00	
T. H. Harvell,	3 00	
Julia Hill,	3 00	
Ellen Bennett,	3 00	
H. E. Hutchinson, old bill,	3 00	
J. F. Hanson, " "	3 00	
H. W. Manning,	2 00	
Frank Hartshorn,	3 00	
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		\$123 00

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation,	\$2,000 00	
Literary Fund,	178 92	
W. W. Sloan, services on Board of Education,		
Treas. of School Board and enumeration		
of scholars,	75 00	
W. W. Sloan, clerk of School Board,	4 00	
A. J. McGown, services on board of education,	50 00	
S. E. Dodge, " " " "	50 00	
Interest on Nutt fund,	179 36	
	<hr/>	\$2,537 28

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

A. S. Jackson, hose and nozzle, old bill,	\$140 80	
F. C. Taylor, pay roll of firemen,	102 00	
W. B. Rotch, insuring engine house,	10 80	
W. R. Clark, express and freighting, old bill,	3 85	
Geo. H. Lakin, care of engine hall,	3 50	
Geo. H. Lakin, work for engine company,	4 80	
W. W. Sloan, fireward,	5 00	
F. C. Taylor, fireward,	5 00	
Robert S. Boutell, fireward,	5 00	
H. W. Keyes, watching fire,	2 00	
F. L. Nourse, watching fire,	2 00	
A. A. Bills, team and work at Hayden fire,	2 00	
H. H. Parkhurst, labor on fire engine,	1 25	
F. C. Taylor, 1 quart alcohol,	85	
	<hr/>	\$288 85

TOWN OFFICERS.

Eugene C. Hubbard, first selectman,	\$160 00
Albert M. Philbrick, second selectman,	130 00
Herbert H. Belden, third selectman,	127 00
George P. Boutelle, tax collector,	100 00
Frank C. Taylor, town treasurer,	60 00
W. D. Clark, town clerk,	55 00
E. K. Burttt, sexton,	43 25
Herbert H. Belden, overseer poor and poor farm,	18 00
Eugene C. Hubbard, " " " " "	15 00
Albert M. Philbrick, " " " " "	15 00
A. C. Decatur, police,	15 00
George H. Hodgman, police,	8 00
C. E. Wilkins, constable and dog killer,	6 00

A. M. Wilkins, moderator,	6 00	
Frank C. Taylor, auditor, old bill,	1 00	
H. H. Belden, " " "	1 00	
Frank A. Holbrook, supervisor, old bill,	8 00	
C. F. Wells, special police,	2 50	
Cyrus Cross, special police,	2 00	
Charles E. Wilkins, special police,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$780 75

TOWN POOR.

Haseltine & Co., aid to Mrs. Butterfield,	\$47 50
" " " " "	50 80
Hillsboro' county, board of Geo. Merrill,	61 68
Emma Green, board of Jane Green,	77 50
J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance. Mrs. Butterfield,	7 45
H. H. Barber, goods for Mrs. Butterfield,	5 73
D. F. Thompson, " " "	1 25
J. M. Laws, goods for Fred Hill,	4 35
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, attendance on Jane Green,	6 45
Dr. F. K. Chandler, attendance on Mrs. Butterfield,	3 90
Clark & Sloan, goods for Mrs. Butterfield,	11 25
W. L. Cross, board of Fred Hill,	10 00
W. L. Cross, clothing and shoes, Fred Hill,	3 84
J. A. Ober, goods for Fred Hill,	13 75
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\$305 45

SOLDIERS' AID BY COUNTY.

Mrs. Sheehan, house rent for Mike Bresnahan,	\$60 00
Geo. G. Rideout, farm rent for Chas. Crooker,	50 00
W. L. Weston, coal for Chas. Crooker,	28 00
Clark & Sloan, goods for R. D. Moor, \$12.00 per month,	144 00
Clark & Sloan, goods for Nancy J. Wetherbee, \$6.50 per month,	78 00
Clark & Sloan, goods for Jas. P. Webster, \$6.50 per month,	78 00
Clark & Sloan, goods for Mike Bresnahan, \$8 per month,	96 00
R. H. Prince, goods for Edson Davis,	4 00
Rachel Colston,	94 85
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, Edson Davis,	1 00

Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, J. P. Webster,	2 50	
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, J. P. Webster,	3 50	
Dr. F. K. Chandler, medical attendance, Mike Bresnahan,	8 75	
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Total aid by county,		\$648 60

SOLDIERS' AID BY TOWN.

Mrs. Daniel Sheehau, Soldiers' aid by town,		
\$6.00 per month,	\$72 00	
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Total aid by town,		\$72 00

COUNTY POOR.

Mrs. E. A. Bennett, for board of Mrs. J. H. Bennett,	\$62 00	
E. K. Burt, funeral expenses,	37 00	
Dr. F. K. Chandler, medical attendance, Mrs. J. H. Bennett,	17 00	
Mrs. Emma Green, board of Mrs. Story,	48 00	
Dr. F. K. Chandler, medical attendance, Mrs. Story,	9 50	
Town farm, board of Mrs. Story,	45 00	
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, H. Walker,	11 50	
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, Wm. Town,	5 00	
T. S. Merrow, board of D. W. Cram,	52 50	
T. S. Merrow, " " "	16 50	
Dr. J. B. Pettengill, medical attendance, Mrs. Story,	4 25	
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		\$308 25

NOTES, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST.

Geo. E. Farley, principal and interest.	\$1,026 25	
Souhegan National Bank, principal and int.,	1,020 00	
John A. Boutelle, principal and interest,	517 90	
Bessie P. Whiting, " "	103 25	
Lydia M. Merrill, interest,	60 00	
Benjamin Merrill, "	15 00	
E. K. Burt, "	12 00	
Eliza A. Eaton, "	24 00	
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Total,		\$2,778 40

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. E. Knight, legal services,	\$25 00
H. M. Parker, care of watering trough,	2 50
W. W. Sloan, care of town clock,	15 00
A. W. Howison, tile,	1 80
E. C. Hubbard, postage, stationery, etc.,	1 25
G. H. Hodgman, care of tramps,	4 00
J. H. Coggin, labor in cemetery,	2 00
E. K. Burt, " " "	32 00
Edmon Bulevance, concrete tools,	50 00
E. K. Burt, labor on Blunt lot,	2 25
" " repairs on hearse house,	14 38
F. C. Taylor, expenses to Manchester and Nashua,	4 00
S. B. Webster, care of tramps,	1 50
W. B. Rotch, printing reports, notices, etc.,	55 50
F. A. Noyes, dinners to cattle commissioners,	1 30
W. D. Clark, return of births and marriages,	19 50
W. T. Russell, veterinary services,	6 00
R. H. Prince, error in taxes of 1892,	5 35
E. C. Eastman, tax collector's book,	1 54
Clark & Sloan, merchandise,	4 36
W. D. Clark, notifying jurors,	9 00
Morse & Whyte, gravel screen,	7 00
Harry Lakir, trimming trees at Kent's,	7 80
Robert Atkinson, mowing common,	3 00
Emma Clark, copying,	11 50
A. C. Decatur, care of tramps,	1 60
J. F. Weston, expenses in Osgood case,	6 89
B. F. Whiting, " " " "	2 69
E. C. Hubbard, " " " "	6 19
C. L. Wilkins, " " " "	3 05
C. Hartshorn, " " " "	2 69
Laura Decatur, " " " "	1 44
E. K. Burt, " " " "	2 69
Burnham, Brown & Warren, for legal services for 1892, '93, '94, balance due over costs received by them in Osgood case,	17 55

 \$332 32

 • ABATEMENTS OF TAXES FOR 1895.

O. W. Joslin, taxed in Lyndeboro',	Poll tax	\$1 37
G. Chesbro, left town,	Poll tax,	1 37

Andrew Riley, left town,	Poll tax,	1 37	
Frank E. Sampson, taxed in Concord,	Poll tax,	1 37	
Frank Macomber, left town,	Poll tax,	1 37	
John Brine, left town,	Poll tax,	1 37	
Town farm,		61 43	
Martin Wheeler, taxed to other parties,		24 39	
Daniel Sheehan heirs, of aid by town,		3 15	
Cyrus Cross over tax on stock in trade,		5 48	
Converse Bros. & Upham, lumber removed,		2 74	
Rodney H. Prince, lumber taxed in Mont Vernon,		5 09	
Samuel Fuller heirs of error in taxation,		2 74	
W. D. Clark, taxed to other parties,		6 85	
			\$120 09

EUGENE C. HUBARD,
ALBERT M. PHILBRICK,
HERBERT H. BELDEN.

Selectmen of Amherst.

February, 15, 1896

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES P. HARTSHORN,
J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

Committee of Spalding School Fund

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF AMHERST.

Dr.

To Cash,	\$10,000 00	
April 1, 1895, Interest on Peterboro' rail- road stock,	30 00	
July 1, 1895, interest on Concord Water Bonds,	35 01	
Oct. 1, 1895, dividend on Peterboro' rail- road stock,	30 00	
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Jan. 1, Interest on Concord Water Bonds,	52 50	
" 2, " from Mass. Hospital Trust Co.,	152 33	
" 3, " from Central Savings Bank,	9 15	
	<hr/>	\$10,308 99

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Apr. 6, Cash paid, premium on Concord Water Bonds,	\$75 00	
Apr. 6, Cash paid, accrued interest on bond, 1896.	8 76	
Jan. 7, Cash paid W. W. Sloan, Treas. Board Education,	225 23	
	<hr/>	\$308 99
Securities on hand,		\$10,000 00

The interest on Concord Water Bonds is $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. annually. Interest is paid semi-annually, registered, and mature Jan. 1, 1922. The other investments are the same as reported to the Town at its last annual meeting.

GEO. W. BOSWORTH,
FRANK HARTSHORN,
WILLIAM PRATT.

Committee of Spalding Fund.

We have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHAS. P. HARTSHORN,
J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

We have examined the securities for the above Fund and find them as above stated.

EUGENE C. HUBBARD,
ALBERT M. PHILBRICK,
HERBERT H. BELDEN,

Selectmen of Amherst.

REPORT

OF

ROAD AGENT.

AMHERST, FEBRUARY 15, 1895.

Errors in bill of 1894 :

Paid treasurer highway bill,	\$2 44
“ “ snow bill,	2 01
To balance due J. H. Dodge,	1 03

Snow bills of 1895 :

John H. Dodge,	\$ 90
J. P. Trow,	24 20
John Gould,	14 62
Charles Rogers,	6 75
J. E. Upton,	2 00
R. Cheemard,	2 00
T. S. Merrow,	17 05

Cutting out roads for wheels, snow bills :

John Dodge.	3 05
Fred Nourse.	45
C. C. Clark,	1 50
Horses,	2 40
Frank Reed,	60
Highway bill,	60
C. C. Clark,	16 13
Frank Reed,	15 00
Ernest Owen,	11 70

Charles Pettengale,	15 15
D. F. Chute,	10 20
Charles French,	10 20
John H. Dodge,	22 55
Daniel Peabody,	10 27
Walter Batchelder,	19 50
J. A. Boutelle, hatch pan,	8 20
John Fletcher, plank,	21 26
Use of H. Secomb's cart,	2 50
Freight,	25
Horses,	49 16
Use of D. Peabody's cart,	25
“ “ “ stone lifter,	50
D. A. Peabody, snow bill,	1 90
F. Reed,	60
J. B. Varick, plow,	19 00
Frank Reed,	31 88
Charles Pettengale,	33 52
Ernest Owen,	31 87
C. O. Clark,	26 63
C. J. Clark,	1 50
Keyser,	12 45
Charles French,	9 53
Henry Peabody,	94
J. H. Dodge,	39 87
Horses,	101 20
D. F. Chute,	6 83
H. A. Junkins,	7 00
J. P. Trow,	2 90
H. H. Belden,	10 80
R. H. Prince,	1 84
Bradford Hill,	1 00
H. A. Junkins, snow bill,	4 00
C. J. Clark,	18 45
Charles Pettengill,	22 80
Ernest Owen,	6 00
John H. Dodge,	37 20
C. C. Clark,	26 78
Frank Reed,	26 25
Horses,	69 50
D. F. Chute,	1 50
Bradford Hill,	50
Hale H. Shoren,	3 00

John Hadlock,	59 60
J. P. and H. W. Manning,	12 00
H. H. Belden, sand,	2 40
Use of R. H. Prince's cart,	88
Frank Reed,	1 50
C. C. Clark,	28 84
J. H. Dodge,	38 11
Horses,	61 55
Lou Webster,	30
T. Loiselle,	25 13
McInnes,	4 50
Use of R. H. Prince's cart,	25
Ernest Owen,	1 50
Charles E. Barrett,	10 50
Charles Pettengale,	1 50
D. F. Chute,	13 13
A. F. Christy,	4 50
J. E. Upton,	1 00
Walter Batchelder,	32 00
T. Loiselle,	24 75
J. H. Dodge,	22 65
Charles Pettengale,	21 75
D. F. Chute,	18 00
A. F. Christy,	18 00
C. J. Clark,	3 00
Horses,	42 00
Daniel Peabody,	2 33
Edward M. Carr,	2 25
William Peaslee,	6 80
Shoren & Hale,	3 00
Walter Batchelder,	8 00
C. W. Dodge, dynamite cart. and fuse,	7 60
H. H. Belden plank and ties,	3 50
R. H. Prince, plank,	8 06
Jesse Wilkins, hard pan,	8 10
Charles Wheeler,	20
R. H. Prince, cart,	1 13
Charles Pettengale,	28 43
Henry West,	15 75
John M. Peacock,	3 30
Edw. H. Lakin,	27 45
Mark Bennett,	3 60
George H. Lakin,	3 52

D. F. Chute,	4 50
John Gould,	3 75
Ernest H. Owen,	16 05
Harry Boutelle,	25 25
Henry M. Parker,	1 73
A. C. Decatur,	5 18
A. F. Christy,	24 15
H. E. Lakin,	13 22
Bert West,	2 70
Fred Boutelle,	10 50
R. H. Prince,	6 02
D. W. Trow,	42 25
Hayden Brothers,	3 00
William S. Peaslee,	5 10
John A. Hanson,	36 35
Fred Nourse,	1 50
Use of Milford water works pump,	6 50
T. Loiselle,	17 78
J. H. Dodge,	43 91
Horses,	27 30
Peter Levalley,	4 87
Hayden Brothers,	126 00
John Gould, snow bill,	97
D. W. Trow,	9 75
Henry West,	5 70
A. F. Christy,	1 50
Edw. Lakin,	1 50
J. H. Dodge,	20 31
Charles Pettengale,	9 29
Peter Levalley,	13 95
T. Loiselle,	11 55
H. M. Parker,	40
Horses,	20 25
J. U. Prince,	8 00
C. B. Sargent,	1 65
Freight,	35
George Hanson,	12 15
Frank Holbrook,	8 70
Will Weston,	34 68
F. W. Noyes,	22 85
W. S. Peaslee,	4 16
Charles Pherson,	4 50
F. C. Taylor,	80

Will Weston, snow bill,	50	
Harry Boutelle,	9 25	
John Hadlock,	6 00	
C. J. Clark,	9 00	
A. W. Howison,	9 52	
Will Weston,	45	
C. D. Wilson,	83	
Snow bills:		
Henry Cochran,	2 63	
Will Weston,	2 00	
Joseph Fowle,	2 75	
William Rhoades,	10 45	
F. W. Chase,	4 00	
M. T. Campbell,	2 40	
George K. Walker,	14 50	
Daniel Trow,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,115 05
	Cr.	
By Highway orders,	\$1,992 43	
" Snow orders,	122 62	
	<hr/>	\$2,115 05
	Cr.	
By old iron sold George Hanson,	\$1 00	
" stone sold Charles Pherson,	1 00	
" use of scraper and plow four days,	4 50	
" plank sold Hayden Brothers,	1 17	
" stone sold H. H. Belden,	7 20	
	<hr/>	\$14 87

JOHN H. DODGE.

Amherst, Feb. 15, 1896.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES P. HARTSHORN,

J. E. UPTON,

Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TOWN FARM.

EXPENSES AT TOWN FARM.

Watson B. Byrd and wife, superintendent,	\$ 300 00
D. Whiting & Sons, grain,	364 05
J. A. Hamilton, labor,	96 67
J. C. Beals, labor,	13 00
C. Beals, labor,	64 44
Clark & Sloan, groceries, grain, etc.,	81 57
Cyrus Cross, grain,	75 25
Kendall & Co., sulky plow,	45 00
“ “ Thomas harrow,	12 00
C. D. Wilson, groceries, etc.,	51 91
C. M. Barrett, carrying milk,	43 35
“ “ ice,	5 00
“ 7 pigs,	16 00
G. K. Walker, meat,	35 55
Chas. Pherson, repairs on wagon, etc.,	17 55
“ “ windmill,	1 00
Kendall & Wilkins, grain,	23 81
“ “ groceries,	7 79
“ “ grinding,	15 99
W. F. French, hardware,	26 06
“ Paris green, etc.,	2 40
B. R. Came & Son, coal,	3 32
Merrill Bros, coal,	1 50

C. F. Spofford, fish and groceries,	12 09
G. A. Avery, 1 kettle,	1 25
Atlantic Tea Co., tea and coffee,	10 32
W. J. Prince, blacksmithing,	4 50
William Putnam, harness repaired, etc.,	1 85
Miller & House, plants and trees,	10 00
Jas. Cochran, cart seat,	1 50
J. M. Jackson, doctoring cow,	2 00
H. L. Bartlett, groceries, etc.,	8 70
“ peaches,	2 00
Page, Jennison & Co., groceries,	10 05
J. A. Ober, horse blankets,	5 00
Foster Bros., salt pork,	99
F. C. Taylor, supplies for farm,	12 85
D. Whiting & Son, milk jug,	1 75
D. K. Marvell, painting wagon,	3 50
Dr. Tolles, veterinary services,	6 00
A. W. Howison, lumber,	5 69
W. A. Woodard, condition powders,	2 00
Caldwell Bros., sawdust,	4 00
F. E. Willoby,	2 75
Freight bill,	25
E. G. Clark, 2 pigs,	6 00
W. A. Woodard, fertilizer,	32 20
Geo. P. Boutelle, repairing harness, etc.,	3 15
Geo. F. Hanson, blacksmithing, etc.,	19 48
David Rhodes, labor,	12 70
James Atkinson, killing hog,	1 00
Frenchman, cutting logs,	4 50
R. A. Peacock, apples, etc.,	5 72
A. M. Philbrick, use of corn planter,	1 00
D. Whiting & Sons, ice,	18 51
Supplies,	18 45
J. T. & E. B. Burns, lumber and windows,	28 57
M. F. Crosby, 3 cows,	130 00
A. W. Howison, lumber,	34 05
French, Bros., 2 cows,	70 00
Wm. Melendy, 1 cow,	38 00
Stephen Wheeler, 1 cow,	35 00
Lemuel Wheeler, 1 bull,	18 00
W. H. Wilson, windmill,	65 45
E. K. Burt, labor and material,	12 78
W. B. Rotch, insuring Town Farm buildings,	69 36

Smith & Thayer Co., repairs on windmill,	2 60
Watson B. Byrd, stoves and furniture, (old bill)	46 00
Emerson & Son, house furnishings,	10 61
C. D. Wilson, paints, (old bill)	13 98
C. D. Hale, 1 dump cart,	18 00
H. H. Belden, lumber,	17 25
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	\$2,174 61

RECEIPTS OF TOWN FARM.

D. Whiting & Sons, 4,320 cans milk,	\$1,036 72	
Hay sold,	95 14	
Pork "	63 58	
Eggs "	63 48	
Beef "	20 00	
Calves "	10 95	
Veal "	10 50	
Chickens sold,	20 31	
Nuts "	7 50	
Board of horse,	3 00	
Seed corn sold,	2 50	
Board of Mrs. Story,	45 00	
Cow killed by state, 1-2 value,	22 50	
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Total receipts,		\$1,401 18
Due from County, board of Mrs. Story,	\$15 00	
" " State, 3 cows killed, 1-2 value,	75 00	
" " estate of Mary Clark, 4 weeks' board.	16 00	
Lumber at mill,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$206 00
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		\$1,607 18
Total expenditures,		\$2,174 61
Balance against the Farm,		567 43

INVENTORY PERSONAL PROPERTY AT TOWN FARM, Feb. 12, 1896.

9 tons English hay,	\$180 00
11 1-2 tons meadow hay,	138 00
6 3-4 " oat fodder,	81 00
5 " corn fodder.	40 00
15 cows,	600 00
4 calves,	50 00
2 horses,	275 00

3 shoats,	15 00	
150 fowls,	75 00	
Harnesses,	55 00	
Blankets,	4 00	
2-horse wagon,	110 00	
Farm " "	40 00	
Express " "	60 00	
2-horse sled,	40 00	
2 " mowing machine,	40 00	
Horse rake,	20 00	
Wheel harrow,	23 00	
Thomas smothering harrow,	12 00	
Plow,	12 00	
Cultivator,	7 00	
Sulky plow,	45 00	
1 dump cart,	18 00	
Other farming tools,	48 60	
300 baskets corn,	90 00	
Seed corn,	5 00	
Fine wood,	35 00	
Grain,	31 00	
50 bushels potatoes,	22 50	
70 gallons vinegar,	10 00	
2 vinegar barrels,	2 00	
Provisions,	24 00	
6 bushels beans,	10 50	
Household goods,	204 96	
Total inventory,	-----	\$2,423 56

In submitting the foregoing report of the Town Farm, we have endeavored to make an exact showing of the receipts and expenditures for the year, but to the credit of the Superintendent of the Farm we submit the following:

Total expense,		\$2,171 61
To the Farm's credit, receipts,	\$1,607 18	
Inventory of personal property, 1896,	\$2,423 56	
" " " " 1895,	2,148 31	
	-----	275 25
Permanent improvement by Windmill,	65 00	
" " new hen house,	150 00	2,097 43

Making an actual loss of		\$77 18

EUGENE C. HUBBARD.
ALBERT M. PHILBRICK.
HERBERT H. BELDEN.

Selectmen of Amherst.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1895.

BIRTHS.

Mar. 19, Samuel James, a son, to Joseph and Mary Davidson.
Mar. 22, a son, to Henry W. and Cordelia M. Keyes.
June 4, Frank Gordon, a son, to James B. and Ada E. Pettingill.
June 12, a daughter, to Thomas and Jennie O'Connell.
July 21, Edwin Samuel, a son to John A. and Georgiana Hanson.
Aug. 9, a daughter, to Richard and Annie Elliott
Sept. 8, a son, to Everett and Ella Berry.
Sept. 9, Arthur, a son, to Henry and Lizzie J. Holden.
Sept. 16, a son, to Catherine M. Lawton.
Nov. 26, a son, to Fred O. and Grace M. Stevens.
Dec. 3, a daughter, to James H. and Mary E. Atkinson.

MARRIAGES.

April 2, Philip C. Marshall and Ethel Skillin, both of Auburn, Me.
April 3, Joseph D. Gauthier of Amherst and Susie A. Hill of Hollis.
April 16, Eugene S. Byrd and Hattie A. Bullard, both of Amherst.
Aug. 25, Harry E. Smith and Kate M. Bills, both of Amherst.
Oct. 19, Percy M. Odell and Clara M. Hammond, both of Amherst.
Dec. 8, Nelson H. Chute of Amherst and Nettie C. Jenkins of Bedford.

DEATHS.

- Jan. 1, Ellen M. Burnham, aged 59 years.
 March 13, George Walker, aged 80 years, 1 month.
 March 19, Rhoda Abbot, aged 75 years, 11 months.
 March 22, Edward D. Boylston, aged 81 years, 2 months.
 March 22, Cordelia M. Keyes, aged 25 years, 10 days.
 March, 22, infant of Henry M. and Cordelia Keyes.
 March 24, Sarah F. Nichols, aged 87 years, 6 months, 24 days.
 March 31, Sadie P. Cody, aged 46 years, 4 months.
 May 19, Leonard G. Chase, aged 17 years, 3 months, 4 days.
 July 1, Mabel Maddocks, aged 31 years, 10 months.
 July 17, James P. Nourse, aged 71 years, 8 months.
 August 3, Polly Bennett, aged 89 years, 4 months, 12 days.
 Sept. 12, Lucy Clark, aged 84 years, 4 months.
 Sept. 12, Louisa Bartlett, aged 75 years, 24 days.
 Sept. 16, infant of Catharine M. Lawton.
 Nov. 8, George H. Shaw, aged 88 years, 7 months, 18 days.
 Nov. 25, Hartwell J. Richardson, aged 65 years, 8 months, 17 days.
 Nov. 26, Infant of Fred O. and Grace M. Stevens.
 Dec. 5, Lucy Dodge Holbrook, aged 93 years, 6 months, 18 days.

The following named persons who died outside the limits of our town were brought to Amherst for interment: Daniel F. Secomb, Elvira Hill, Abbie S. David, Clarence H. Barker, Edward Spalding, Charles H. Campbell, Sarah E. King, Charlotte E. Hodgman, Mary Clark.

Sixteenth Annual Report

OF THE

Trustees of Amherst Town Library.

In submitting this report, the trustees would say, that during the year, no new features have been attempted, everything has been harmonious and the results satisfactory.

A larger number of books than usual have been added including many of permanent value.

An encyclopedic dictionary in four volumes, will be found among them, and should prove a valuable aid as a work of reference and authority.

Seven magazines have been taken, with a large circulation. One hundred and twenty-one books have been added to the shelves; three of which were donated as follows; Elements of General History: E. C. Hubbard, History of the Romans, H. Secombe; Unele Sam's Church and Creeds, Mrs. Anne Carruth.

Miss Stearns has filled the office of librarian most acceptably. Her prompt, business-like methods and the general air of neatness in everything pertaining to the library, are the best evidence of these special qualities which the position demands.

The books have been made more attractive, by dispensing with the old method of covering, a practice which was found unnecessary. We are glad to record a decided increase in circulation over the preceeding year.

This is proof positive that this institution is being ac-

cepted, more and more in our community as a great educational help.

It is the desire of your trustees, that the books added shall be of such variety and character as to meet, as far as possible, the needs of all, and maintain the high standard of the past.

The larger place which this institution has long occupied in the affections of many of our citizens, past and present, has manifested itself during the past year in several very beautiful and valuable gifts.

The fine crayon of Dr. Davis, given by his daughter, seems to look down on the place, which was dear to him, and his noble features are a constant source of inspiration to all who visit these rooms.

From Miss Lucy Boylston the reading room has received the fine portraits of Judge Edmund Parker and his wife:—valuable as a connecting link between the best of a generation that has gone and the present.

A valuable acquisition, as a work of reference on all local affairs for nearly a century, is the unbroken files of the Farmer's Cabinet, presented by the heirs of the late Dea. E. D. Boylston.

Still another gift, which must be seen to be appreciated is a large and beautiful clock, from Edward B. Eaton, Esq., of Boston, the son of a former resident.

As agents of the town, we feel that we but voice the sentiment of this community, when we say that our hearts are touched by these valuable tokens of esteem and good will.

The circulation for the year past has been 3,289, an increase of 660 over that of 1894.

A list of books bought since Sept. 1, 1894, will be found after this report; if this be pasted into the catalogue of 1894 it will be complete to date.

The organization of this board is as follows:

TRUSTEES.

Rev. A. J. McGown,	}	Term expires March, 1896.
Mrs. W. D. Clarke,		
J. E. Upton,	}	Term expires March, 1897.
Mrs. E. W. Nichols,		
A. M. Wilkins,	}	Term expires March, 1898.
Miss Lucy Fletcher,		

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dr.

By balance in treasury,	\$ 25 24	
“ appropriation of town,	200 00	
“ sale of catalogues,	2 55	
“ fines,	2 07	
Received from the estate of Mrs. Burnham		
as per unsettled bill,	3 00	
Received from sale of “Busyfield,”	15 00	
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To services of librarian.	\$ 50 00	
“ “ janitor.	15 00	
“ new books,	96 88	
“ printing and binding,	33 80	
“ wood and sawing,	2 88	
“ screen doors,	6 00	
“ subscriptions for magazines,	19 35	
“ concrete,	7 00	
“ cleaning building,	3 00	
“ express and freight,	3 94	
“ oil can, oil and chimneys,	3 25	
“ postage and incidentals,	2 67	
“ balance,	4 09	
	<hr/>	\$247 86
On hand for sale of “Amherst in the Rebellion,”		\$14 00
For sale of “Amherst in the Great Civil Conflict,”		\$2 00

Books Bought Since Sept. 1, 1894.

A

As a matter of course. Pall, Annie P.....	713.12
ASCENT of man, The. Drummond, Henry.....	713.13
AID-DE-CAMP of Napoleon. An. Segur, Louis de.	712.28
AMONG the northern hills. Prime, W. C.....	621.3
AFLOAT with the flag. Henderson, W. J.....	621.13
ACROSS India. Adams, W. T.....	621.14
AMHERST in the great civil conflict. Boylston, E. D.	712.33
ALMOST a genius. Rouse, A. L.....	611.6
ANTONIA Sand, George.....	621.29

B

BOYLSTON, E. D., Memoir of	712.31
BESIDE the bonnie brier bush. Watson, John. (Ian Maclaren)	622.1
BRITISH seas, The. Russell W. Clark.....	713.9
BEYOND the dreams of avarice Besant, Walter.....	622.11
BAGPIPERS, The. Sand, George.....	611.8
BISMARCK, Prince. Life of. Lowe, Charles.....	712.23

C

COSTUMES of colonial times. Earle, Alice M.	713.8
CRUCIFIXION of Phillip Strong. Sheldon, C. M.	622.7
CLAUDIA Hyde Baylor, F. C.....	622.9
COLONEL Norton. Montgomery, F.....	622.22
CONDITION of women in the United States, The. Blanc, Md.	622.25
CAPT. Clare and Sergt. Creasus. King Charles	622.32
CHAPTERS from unwritten memoirs. Ritchie, Annie T....	622.36
COUSIN MONA Carey, R. N.....	621.18
CASA, Braccio. Crawford, Marion.....	621.25
COBBE, Frances Power, Life of	713.20

D

DELUGE, The. Sienkiewicz, H. K.	713.2
DONAL Grant (sequel to Sir Gibbie.) MacDonald, G.	621.10
DEANE girls, The. Rouse, A. L.	621.12
DAUGHTERS of the Revolution. Coffin, C. C.	622.37

E

ESSAYS in London and elsewhere. James, Henry.	713.15
EDGEWORTH, Maria, Life and letters.	713.19
ENGLISH lands, letters and kings. Mitchell, D. G.	611.2
EVOLUTION of the spiritual man, The. Lisle, W. M.	712.2

F

FLAG of the United States, and other National flags. Preble, G. H.	518.8
FADETTE. Sand, George	621.26

G

GLADSTONE, William E. Lucy, Henry W.	712.30
GENTLEMAN of, France. A. Wynman, S. J.	712.20
GOLDEN house, The. Warner, C. D.	622.5
GENTLEMAN vagabond, A. Smith, F. H.	621.22

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HANCOCK, General. Walker, F. A.	713.11
HISTORY of the people of the United States. Vol. 4. Mc- Master, J. B.	713.18
HEART of the world. Haggard, Rider.	622.16
HOMER'S Odyssey. Trans. by Alex. Pope.	511.42
HOMER'S Iliad. " " " "	511.43
HOURS with men and books.	611.4
HISTORY of the Romans. 1796. Vol. 2.	127.8
HISTORICAL tales. American. Morris, Charles.	713.4
English. Morris, Charles.	713.5
French. " "	713.6
German. " "	713.7

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INLAND voyage, An. Stevenson, R. L.	622.27
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JUNGLE book, The. Kipling, Rudyard.	622.17
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KNIGHT of the white cross. Henty, G. A.....	621.11
KNIGHT of the XIX century. Roe, E. P.....	622.31

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LILAC sun-bonnet, The. Crockett, S. R.	423.23
LAMPLIGHTER, The. Cummins, M. S.....	622.2
LIFE and her children. Buckley, A. B.....	622.10
LILLIAN Morris. Sienkiewicz, H. K.	622.13
LOVE and shawlstraps. Noble, Annette.....	622.15
LIFE of the spirit in the modern English poets, The..	712.21
LANDMARKS of Jerusalem. Hutton, Lawrence.....	712.26
LOUIS XIV. Hassell, A.	712.31
LITERATURE of the Georgian era. Minto, W.....	712.32
LARCOM, Lucy, Life, letters and diary. Addison, D. D....	621.7
LISBETH Wilson. Blair, E. N.....	621.16
LIFE of Nancy, and other stories. Jewett, S. O.....	621.21
LABOR and Capital. 5 v.....	Pub. doc.

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MOUNTAINS of California, The. Muir, John.....	423.22
MERMAID, The. Dougall, L.....	622.19
MY three score years and ten. Ball, Thomas.	622.20
Miss Lou. Roe, E. P.....	622.29
MICAH Clark. Doyle, Conan.....	622.34
MARGRET Winthrop. Earle, A. M.....	621.8
MABEL Vaughn. Cummins, Maria	622.38
MAKING of the Nation, The. Walker, F. A.	611.1
MEADOW grass. Brown, Alice.....	621.17
MONSIEUR Sylvester. Sand, George.....	621.21
MILLER of Angibault, The. Sand, George.....	621.28
MYTHS of the northern lands. Gueber, H. A.....	712.1
MY literary passions. Howells, W. D.....	611.7
MAUPRAT. Sand, G.....	611.9

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NORTRE-Dame-de-Paris. Hugo, Victor.....	713.17
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OUR journey around the world. Clark, F. E.....	516.49
OSMOND. Edgeworth, Maria.....	621.19

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PAN Michael. Sienkiewicz, Henry.	713.3
PUSHING to the front. Marden, O. S.	423.21
PRINCE Olto. Stevenson, R. L.	622.35
PAIR of blue eyes, A. Hardy, Thomas.	622.39

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QUAINT spinster, A. Russell, F. C.	622.23
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RICHARDSON, Mary W. F., Life of	712.19
ROYAL road, The. Harland, Marion ..	622.4
ROMANCE of the insect world, The. Badenoch, L. N.	622.8
RALSTONS, The. Crawford, F. M.	622.11
RUSSIAN rambles. Hapgood, Isabel	712.22
RELIGION and civil government in U. S. Cornelison, I. A.	712.29
REPORT of sheep industry in U. S.	127.10

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STRATFORD-ON-AVON. Lee, Sidney.	713.10
SWEET Clover. Burnham, Clara L.	622.18
STICKET minister, The. Crockett, S. R.	622.21
SILVERADO squatters. Stevenson, R. L.	622.26
SOULLESS singer, A. Lee, Mary C.	622.28
STATUES of John Stark and Daniel Webster.	518.7
STEPHEN Mitchell's journey. Alden, G. R. (<i>Pansy</i>).	621.1
SIDETALK with girls. Ashmore, Ruth.	621.4
SIR Gibbie. MacDonald, George	621.9
SUCCESSWARD. Bok, Edward W.	611.5
SLAIN by the Doones. Blackmore, R. D.	621.20
SINGULAR life, A. Phelps, E. S.	621.23
STORY of Christine Rochefort, The. Prince, H. E.	621.5
STORY of Pitcairne Island, The. Young, R. A.	621.15
SNOW man. Sand, George.	611.10

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TITLED maiden, The. Mason, C. A.	622.3
THROUGH magic glasses. Buckley, A. B.	622.6
TRYPHENA in love. Raymond, Walter.	622.24
THAXTER, Celia, Letters of.	712.25
TUBERCULOSIS among cattle. Shumway, H. L.	712.27
THREE graces, The. Hungerford, Mrs. (<i>The Duchess</i>). ...	622.33
TEXTING of the plains. Custer, E. B.	621.2

TENNYSON, The works of.....	713.21
TURNING points in successsful careers. Thayer, W. M.....	611.3

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UNCLE Sam's church and creed. Bouton, J. B.....	712.24
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V

VILLAGE watch-tower. Riggs, Mrs. (Kate D. Wiggin)....	621.24
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W

WORLDS parliament of religions, The. 2 vols.....	428.14
WITH fire and sword. Sienkiewicz, H.....	713.1
WHEN all the woods are green. Mitchell, S. W.....	423.20
WEDDING garment, The. Pendleton, Louis.....	622.12
WAGNER story book, The. Frost, Henry.....	713.14
WHITTIER, J. G., Life and letters. 2 v. Pickard, S. T....	713 16
WITHOUT a home. Roe, E. P.....	622.30
WHEN Palmond came to Pontiac. Parker, Gilbert....	621 6
WORDS, their use and abuse. Mathews, William.....	511.41

Books of Reference.

Census, U. S. 1890.	
Manual of the general court.	
Register of New Hampshire soldiers and sailors in the rebellion.	
Reports of various departments.	
The American encyclopeadic dictionary.	
Year book—department of Agriculture. 1894.	

Magazines, 1895.

Century.	Cosmopolitan.
Granite monthly.	Harper's monthly.
Munsey.	New England.
Review of Reviews.	Saint Nicholas.

